



***SPORT EDUCATION***

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# **2024-25 Coach Education**

Membership, Certification, Costs, & Requirements

# Membership



<b>Category:</b>	Coach	Official	Club Volunteer	Junior Coach*
<b>Cost:</b>	\$150	\$80	\$65	\$75

*\*Only available in Alpine & Cross Country*

See membership category summaries per sport [here](#).

## **New for 2024-25 Season:**

The **Coaching Fundamentals** and **Intro to Avalanche** courses have been moved OUT of the Coach Membership requirements and INTO the certification pathway.

The only requirements for **ALL members 18 years of age and older** are the annual completion of a **SafeSport training** and a **background screening** every 2 years. (This is consistent with previous years; the only change here being that it's new that those are the only requirements.)

# Sport Education Academy



Annual Subscription:	<b>BRONZE TIER</b>	<b>SILVER TIER</b>	<b>GOLD TIER</b>
<b>Cost*:</b>	ALWAYS FREE!	<del>\$50</del> \$40	<del>\$100</del> \$80
<b>Required for:</b>	None	<b>Junior Coaches</b>	<b>Second-year(+) Coaches Certified Coaches</b>
<b>Recommended for:</b>	Any	First-year Coaches Non-certified Coaches Club Volunteers	Officials
<b>Grants access to:</b>	Safety Modules Limited library of key resources	All Bronze benefits All online learning content Full library of resources Access to register for webinars	All Silver benefits Earn Coach Certification Earn continuing ed credit Maintain Coach Certification Free access to webinars Reduced conference fees Access to register for in-person assessments/events

\*2024-25 subscriptions will be offered at a **20% discount** due to launch occurring after membership season opens: **\$40 for Silver, \$80 for Gold**

# Club Discount Plan



Sport Education Academy Subscription Tier	2024-2025 Base Price	Number of Subscriptions Purchased	Bulk Discount	Discounted Cost per Subscription
<b>GOLD</b>	\$80	50+	20%	\$64
		25-49	10%	\$72
		10-24	5%	\$76
<b>SILVER</b>	\$40	50+	20%	\$32
		25-49	10%	\$36
		10-24	5%	\$38

## How will it work?

1. **Sport Education Team** provides public resources to assist coaches in planning (see next slide).
2. **Club** reaches out directly to Sport Education team and **provides the number of subscriptions they need at each tier.**
3. Sport Education team assists Club with processing **upfront payment.**
4. Sport Education team creates a **unique coupon code** for Club that allows individuals on their Staff to enroll in the SEA free of charge.
5. Club is responsible for ensuring that the **coupon code is ONLY utilized by current U.S. Ski & Snowboard members.** Each coupon code will only be good for the number of uses equal to the number of subscriptions requested initially.

**Bulk subscriptions** may only be purchased for **current members** in the following U.S. Ski & Snowboard Membership Categories: **Coach w/Official, Official, Club Volunteer, and/or Junior Coach.**

# Membership & Education Cost



## [Membership & Coach Education Cost Workbook](#)

Click on the link above to access the worksheet previewed below. See “**Instructions**” on the first tab to learn how to use it.

		Club Bulk Discount	Cost per	# needed	Item cost
	Coach Membership	<i>Not Applicable</i>	\$150	0	\$0
	Volunteer Membership		\$65	0	\$0
	Official Membership		\$80	0	\$0
	Junior Coach Membership*		\$75	0	\$0
Only fill in ONE of these rows	0-9 Silver SEA Subscriptions	0%	\$40	0	\$0
	10-24 Silver SEA Subscriptions	5%	\$38	0	\$0
	25-49 Silver SEA Subscriptions	10%	\$36	0	\$0
	50+ Silver SEA Subscriptions	20%	\$32	0	\$0
Only fill in ONE of these rows	0-9 Gold SEA Subscriptions	0%	\$80	0	\$0
	10-24 Gold SEA Subscriptions	5%	\$76	0	\$0
	25-49 Gold SEA Subscriptions	10%	\$72	0	\$0
	50+ Gold SEA Subscriptions	20%	\$64	0	\$0
	L100 Assessment	<i>Not Applicable</i>	\$50	0	\$0
	L200 Assessment		\$100	0	\$0
	L300 Assessment**		\$300	0	\$0
<b>TOTAL COST</b>					\$0

\*Alpine & XC only

\*\*Cost likely to vary by sport, this is a high-end estimate

# Annual Coach Certification Requirements



1. **Obtain Coach Membership** & complete requirements (SafeSport training & background check)
2. **Enroll in Sport Education Academy**
  - a. Presently non-certified coaches may enroll at the Silver tier for their first season
    - i. Upgrade to Gold will be required in order to register for L100 Assessment
  - b. Presently certified coaches must enroll at the Gold tier
3. **Pursue L100 certification, continuing education, or higher level of certification**
  - a. **L100**: take updated Coaching Fundamentals modules, review Sport-Specific Modules, attend & pass L100 Assessment
    - i. Coaching Fundamentals should be completed prior to getting on snow
    - ii. L100 Assessment may be pursued at any point during the first or second season
    - iii. L100 Certification must be completed (including online & on-snow components) prior to the end of a coach's second season
  - b. **Continuing education**: complete 5 hours of educational engagement each season to maintain present level of certification
    - i. All CE credits may be obtained online via the Sport Education Academy and is included in the cost of a Gold subscription
    - ii. Coaches may still submit proof of completion of an external CE opportunity
    - iii. Complete CE Framework will be published in July 2024
  - c. **Higher level of certification**: complete online & on-snow components of next level of certification, if available
    - i. Earning a higher level of certification satisfies the CE requirement for a given season

# General Certification Requirement Notes



- All presently **certified** Coaches will start the 2024-25 season with a “clean slate” for continuing education.
- All presently **non-certified** Coaches (including those who have coached without certification before AND new coaches) **must BEGIN the process of obtaining their Level 100 Certification during the 2024-25 season** and must **FINISH their L100 before the END of the 2025-26 season.**
  - Going forward, a new/non-certified Coach will have from the beginning of their first season until the end of their second season to earn their L100.
- Starting in the **2025-26** season, Coaches will be required to hold an **Active Coach Certification** in order to register for competitions.
  - A first or second-year Coach may have the status “**Certification: In Progress**” until the completion of their L100 Certification.
- Starting in the **2025-26** season, **failure to meet an annual requirement** will result in a coach’s certification status reverting to “**Inactive**,” prohibiting them from registering for sanctioned competitions. The procedure for certification reactivation will be published during the 2024-25 season and will most likely include completing missed requirements and paying an expiration fee.

# Certification Components



All levels of Coach Certification across all sports will contain the following components:

## **Safety Modules**

All coaches will be required to certify that they have a current First Aid/CPR certification and that they have completed a concussion training. All coaches will also have to complete an avalanche safety course every other year.

## **Coaching Fundamentals**

These will be consistent across all sports at each level and will contain topics like athlete wellbeing, mental skills, coaching philosophy, and venue safety. There will be a learning assessment component of these modules.

## **Sport-Specific Modules**

These modules are available for review in preparation for the in-person Assessment. While we strongly recommend that coaches study this content, there is no assessment component to it and it is not required to earn certification.

## **In-person Assessment**

Attend an in-person assessment (typically on-snow) facilitated by a member of our National Faculty. Coach candidates will register for certification assessments on the Sport Education Academy. Assessments are *not* included in the cost of an SEA subscription and will require an additional payment of, on average, \$50 per day of the assessment. Level 100 Assessments will typically be one day, and therefore \$50. There may be variation in assessment duration, and therefore cost, across sports at higher levels.



# Questions?



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